

I. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The law firm of Milon Pluas LLP was engaged by the West Valley Water District ("District") to investigate allegations surrounding Dr. Clifford Young, Sr. ("Dr. Young") and the District following a complaint received by the Enforcement Division of the Fair Political Practices Commission ("FPPC Complaint") on or around September 10, 2018 against Dr. Young and the District made by community member Don Griggs, alleging a violation of the provisions of the Political Reform Act.

This investigation, initiated on February 14, 2019 and concluded on March 6, 2019, finds that the allegations made against Board member Dr. Clifford Young, Sr. and the West Valley Water District are substantiated.

The FPPC Complaint alleged that on December 7, 2017, Dr. Young and Board members Greg Young, Dr. Michael Taylor, and Kyle Crowther, along with members of their political campaigns, held a Victory Celebration Party at Sierra Lakes Golf Club for campaign workers and political consultants at a cost of \$1,897.43, and which was ultimately paid for by ratepayers of the District. The FPPC Complaint alleges that Dr. Young initially paid for the Sierra Lakes party, and then improperly requested and received reimbursement from the District for the event under the guise that it was a Christmas celebration, and that therefore the reimbursement was an improper use of ratepayer money for a personal political purpose.

It is undisputed that Dr. Young sought, and the District paid, the reimbursement of \$1,897.43 for the event in question. Therefore, the following will primarily focus on the purpose of the December 7, 2017 event, the circumstances surrounding the event, the individuals who planned and attended the event, payment for the event, and the nature and purpose of the reimbursement for the event.

Between February 14, 2019 and March 5, 2019, Milon Pluas LLP interviewed the following individuals: Deborah Martinez, Clarence Mansell, Donald Olinger, Kyle Crowther, Michael Taylor, Greg Young, Guillermo Villavicencio, and Scott Olson. Dr. Young declined to be interviewed through his counsel. The District's former Assistant Board Secretary, Patricia Romero, also declined to be interviewed for purposes of this investigation. Former District Chief Financial Officer Robert Christman is no longer employed by the District and has since passed away, and thus could not be interviewed. While these individuals involved in the processing of the reimbursement in question could not be interviewed, District documents conclusively establish that the reimbursement was requested and made, and it is thus not in dispute. Documents were also reviewed as part of this investigation, which include Exhibits 1 through 3 attached hereto.

WEST VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

DISBURSEMENT VOUCHER

DATE: 12/7/2017

DATE REQUESTED: 12/7/2017

PAY TO: Clifford Young

AMOUNT: \$ 1897.43
~~21,043.28~~

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VENDOR: a De La Torre Wedding and Banquet Coordina

Invoice# 9617

GL ACCOUNT:

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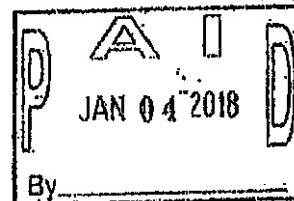
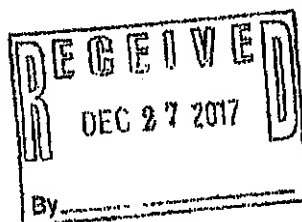
NOTES: 12-7-17 (Event Dinner) West Valley Water District CY120717

Sierra Lakes Golf Club 16600 Clubhouse Drive

Fontana, CA 92335

REQUESTED BY: Patricia Romero

APPROVED BY: [Signature]



Sierra Lakes Golf Club

Event Date: 12-7-17	Day: Thursday	Start Time: 6:00 PM	End Time: 9:00 PM
Type of Part: XMAS DINNER	Contacts Name: CLIFFORD YOUNG	Est. Attendance: 30	Guaranteed: 30
Phone # 909-820-3704	Fax #:	Overtime:	Food Time: 7:00 PM
Ceremony:	Ceremony Time	Bar	Other:
Set Up: ATRIUM SET UP WITH DRAPES 4 TABLES OF 10 HOUSE LINENS		Menu: MODIFIED WESTERN PRIME RIB PASTA PRIMAVERA ROSEMARY POTATOES VEGGIES GARDEN SALAD RANCH ITALIAN ITALIAN / RANCH ROLLS + BUTTER TUXEDO CAKES	
Beverages: COFFEE / ICED TEA		Hors D' oeuvres:	
Audio Visual: NO		Delivery / Set up Times: -CAKE _____ -FLOWERS _____ -DJ SET UP _____ -OTHER _____ -OFFICIATE _____	
Dance Floor: NO	Room Charge: NO	Meal:	Beverage:

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